Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 14 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 15 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 14 Apr 2023 at 01:05

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions Friday and for the transition through the weekend to lighter winds and drier and brighter weather. Lower for details of cloud and rain Sunday.

Headline for Friday 14 Apr 2023: Isolated showers becoming heavier, then overcast with persistent rain and hill snow. Drier and brighter later.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 14 Apr 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
High Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet showers	Light rain showers	Sleet	Sleet	Light rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
30%	60%	70%	70%	20%	10%

Forecast for Friday 14 Apr 2023

Weather: A cloudy morning with some isolated, but occasionally heavy showers. These are likely to become more frequent and heavier for a time through the late morning and early afternoon, with a low risk of hail and thunder. A more organised area of rain pushing east across the Park through the afternoon. Drier by the evening with some clearer spells.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60% at first, becoming 40% in showers then 20% in the afternoon. Improving from the west to 70% later as rain clears.

Low Cloud and visibility: Cloudy at first, with some peaks above 600m shrouded. Bases lowering to 400-500m in showers, perhaps seeing lower patches as the showers become heavier. Cloud bases of 400-500m more widely in persistent rain later, perhaps lowering to 300m in prolonged or wintry bursts. Higher routes likely shrouded for hours at a time. Clearer spells later, but fog patches may linger across eastern slopes. Visibility poor, perhaps very poor in the heaviest rain or wintry precipitation. Becoming good or very good for a time later.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	8/10 E	6/9 W	11/15 N	13/19 NW	14/18 NW	15/19 NW	15/19 NW
600	6/8 E	6/9 W	10/14 N	9/14 NW	11/15 NW	10/14 NW	9/13 NW
300	4/6 E	5/8 NW	7/11 N	6/13 NW	7/12 NW	5/11 NW	5/11 NW
Valley	4/6 E	4/7 NW	8/13 N	6/13 NW	7/13 NW	5/11 W	5/11 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	0/-4	1/-2	1/-3	2/-3	2/-3	-0/-6	-0/-6
600	2/-1	3/1	4/0	4/1	4/1	2/-2	2/-2
300	4/2	6/4	6/4	7/5	7/5	4/2	4/2
Valley	5/3	7/6	8/5	8/6	8/6	6/4	5/3
Freezing Level*	900m	900m	900m	900m	800m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Changeable conditions today, with slow-moving showers and a risk of thunder and hail then persistent rain or hill snow. Watercourses could respond quickly to the heavy rain, with surfaces becoming slippery. Wind chill likely at height.

Forecast for Saturday 15 Apr 2023

Weather: A dry and bright day with sunny spells and fair weather cloud. Some patchy low cloud, mist and fog patches likely around dawn, mainly for western peaks. Gentle winds

Maximum wind: Northwest to west 10-15 mph, easing 5-10mph later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%, improving to above 90% by mid-morning,

Low Cloud and visibility: Cloud bases are largely expected to be above the summits. Chance of low cloud obscuring higher peaks in the west as patches of mist and valley fog lift and clear. Visibility very good, but poor in any early fog.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 5 Celsius becoming plus 11 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius becoming plus 10 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

Please see - https://snowdonia.gov.wales/visit/snowdon/yr-wyddfa-ground-conditions-reports/
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